something here every year for Foreign Missions. Do you object to our organizing a Home and Foreign Sec. the latter to report to Chicago & the former to your Conf.? Mrs. A. C. Nichols of Cleveland was here recently & was very anxious to have us organize in that way. I want your advice about the matter. Mrs. Cantington of Cleveland expected here tonight.

Faithfully yours

Robt. Gilbertread

Those teachers who get $2 per week pay $2 per week will have to officially directly to her Treas

in Chicago. They'll find him
at the "General Offices" of the
"Northwestern" road. They can find
the place by inquiring at any of
the depots or hotels where they
stop

Rev R. G. McMicken

Salt Lake City, Aug 28.- 89

Dear Mrs. Haines:

In my letter to you yesterday I forgot to mention that I had made an arrangement with the "Northwestern" road to carry all our Teachers for 1/2 fare from Chicago to Omaha. I wrote this to Dr. Kendall 2 or 3 weeks ago. But he has probably forgotten to speak to you about it. If you therefore give to all the teachers a note like this addressed to W. A. Bissell Esq

Gen. Ticket Agt. Chicago - North. western R. R.

Dear Sir: The bearer is

as a model. 4 Jens prepared
to service with Brother Parker for
shed visited him when he was
obliged to leave Church
services in that old saint shop
& surrounded cara-house

Hyn Ladies who have worked
so faithfully to secure this building
could see how neat & comfortable it
is, & could know by personal observa-
tion the privations to which Elder
Parker & his family have been sub-
jected during the past two years
Jey would have double joy for all
your labor. Elder & his noble wife
& daughter are now able to work
to Depot Kanosh

Jens chose a mark & single
horse for ride in Logan. Elder Parker
felt obliged to build a Passenger

Rev R. G. McNiece

Salt Lake City. Aug. 26-1889

Dear Mrs. Haines:

I presume you have heard ere this that Dr. Jackson was prevented by illness from attending our Presbytery. Consequently, your letter to him "on" to me. Fell into my hands

We had a good meeting of Presbytery, & accomplished a great deal of work. You know we had adopted the plan of having our Fall meeting just before the Schools open & so to have the Teachers present, that they may catch the inspiration for the work of the coming year. I suppose this does

to say that our meetings of Presbytery in America compared in ✗ interest with ours. It is true that we plan the campaigns of battle against a terrible Enemy. We hear detailed reports from the various fields, - not only from the missionaries but from the teachers

Our meetings of Presbytery are in smaller towns, & are aim to hold religious meetings in connection with the sessions of Presbytery. Our present plan is to meet on Friday evening, hear a sermon, & get organized & hear reports from some of the fields to interest the audience. We transact business on Saturday or Monday forenoon. This enables us to spend the Sabbath together, & Easter-

state in the Communion service.
Imagine how repugnant that must be
to those who have been excluded
for months from Christian society
Then we have special meetings as
circumstances demand. For
Example. on Saturday Evening the
term we had the ordination service
of two of our ministers

On Sunday Evening we dedicated
Brother Parkes's chapel. The services
were exceedingly entertaining & well
attended. Mr Parkes has the
neatest building yet erected. It
is the most successful combina-
tion of a building for Church
& School purposes yet devised
& our Presbytery recommended it

fund. as for example at Aow. Ferk, that our teachers are provided for. shed in terms below are and able to collect dues which will be turned over to the Board to help pay the salary.

Now in regard to particular teachers fields:

1. We want Miss Anna Noble to take charge of the work in Franklin, Idaho, the coming year. It is a very important field at the head of Cache Valley. The reasons for this change I could tell you, but do not care to write them. We look upon Miss Noble as a woman of very superior ability & useful-ness. She will have fine scope for her Executive ability in that

in connection with the Chapel, which could be done a great deal cheaper than to make it a separate building. I know that the Women's Committee are not quite ready yet to begin the erection of Passenger. But owing to the fact that the Parks are unable to rent a single house in Logan, I feel that an exception might to be made in this case. And so I hope the Ladies will stand by here until the whole building is paid for. In order to complete the whole plan of new Assembly Hall we still need $800,00

Our devotional meetings while

in Logar were very touching vicinities. The comforting presence of God's Spirit was very manifest. The 7 ministers & 10 teachers present went away far better prepared for the year's campaign than when they went there.

Now about teachers & fields. After deliberation, we decided to leave the final location of the teachers to our family Com. & three Missionaries, two or three of whom will meet the teachers on their arrival in the city. It was felt that after personal conference with them, they could be located much more wisely than simply to each on general recommendations We made one more departure

in regard to the salaries of Teachers - which heretofore have been quite irregular. The aim has been to secure $500 for each Teacher but since the Board paid but $300. it frequently happened that a large part of the remaining $200 came from the pocket of the minister in charge, & this is too great a burden for our ministers to carry any longer.

So we have asked the Board to commence all the new teachers & to commence all the old ones on a uniform salary of $500, (Except in the city where we need only 300) Then if it becomes necessary to make any of our schools

it would be better to send her to St George. But I am enclosed to them we can settle these things better when the teachers are here so that we can consult with them. It does not seem probable that any building can be ready for a school at St Georges before Nov. 1st. of this.

3 As to buildings. It will take £550 to purchase & finish the building at Franklin, or £300 at Smithfield You say: "Which of the new buildings shall we purchase first?"

(1) St. Georges. This is most needed place now, since no suitable building can be rented. The lot is paid for, but Mr Cook can do almost nothing until he has a building & it will cost about £1300

(2) Pastora. The building now rented there can be bought for about

important field. In your last letter to me you say: "I think I can understand Miss N. has a talent for arranging matters". You are correct. I think she had a trifle less talent in that direction. Please let this remain between ourselves. But she is a lady of superior talent & can do you grand service in your meetings. I assume as the building at Franklin will hardly be completed before the middle of October, Miss Noble can accept you & the East until then without making any gap in the work here.

2. There are two places where very superior teachers are needed namely, Youngsville & Payson. We want an experienced teacher to take

Mess Noble's place as Principal of the school at Springville. It is not essential that she should have musical talent, since Miss Vose there is a fine musician.

There is now a new enterprise started in the Territory than Payson. It is 63 miles south of here on the railroad & 12 miles from Springville. It is a beautiful town of about 2500 with a grove of trees all about it. It has a superior class of people

From what you say, I should think Miss Barnard of Vinton, Iowa would be a capital selection for that point. But if Miss Laura B. York, who has already been assigned there, can teach as capable, then perhaps I would be better that Miss Barnard go to

Smithfield in place of Miss Johnson who seems doubtful. Or let her go to Pleasant Grove, & put Miss Canning at Nor. Fork as assistant. Inasmuch as you suggest an important as well as comfortable position for Miss Woodruff & strikes me that Springville can clear for her.

This important to send down of the best teachers at extreme Southern Utah. I think it would be very unwise to send any one there to take sole charge of a school who is unable to sing Letter Law and superior teacher & musician at St. George to match Miss Jarvis at Parowan. If Miss Forrest Law ~~can~~ can't perhaps

to include the freight of $15. I'll
give you the items again on a separate
list. Now, Mrs Haines I'm going to
give you no peace until you &
Mrs. Green at least, away all your
cares & worries, pay a visit to Utah
Bryant and be continued in charge
of all the work of collecting tracts
& entrusting the Eastern people in
backing up the Missionary work
here, it seems indispensable that
you should personally visit this
field so that you can speak from
personal observation. The expense from
Chicago here & return can be taught
within $130. But I consider that you
would be able to raise more than 2 or
three times that amount in consequence
of such a visit. You must come,
Mrs Haines, & October is a fine month
for the visit. And now praying that God
may continue to guide & bless you. I
remain — Very cordially yours Robt. Gabbitas

$750 cash, and it will cost about $500 to finish in repairs. But that secures a building that will accommodate 150 people - a dwelling house with 4 rooms & 3/4 ths of an acre of ground. For any a lot & part of a new building will cost $600 more than that, So Brayley advised her not to purchase the property unless on examination the walls proved defective

(3) Slabal City, just a town as a memento of Dust devils

Atkins & Shaw own county all your County of Fulton Clemmies to the east of Lewis Brown. He meets on graduating at Galesburg each Spring. I think

She would better defer coming to Utah for one year

Our new building was to be dedicated next Sunday Prayer, Gov. Murray was to present & will deliver an address. The 2 new school-rooms below will accommodate 45 pupils each And then are five beautiful rooms in the 2nd Story all furnished with carpet, bureau, washstand, bedstead study-tables - & everything complete They do look very attractive. All the of the furniture was bot in Chicago except but 30 a set, for bedstead bureau washstand. yet, being of black walnut, they are very attractive. The rooms were by the Ladies & furnished the rooms - from Hawkeshaw Hancock - Huntington Pa. Rockford

Tables etc (the complete list will be
published in the March Rocky Mtn. Bee.) contained
beautiful steps in the way of bedding, tables,
wall-brackets, pictures, etc etc
The building is of brick with green
blinds & broad cornice, with a
neat cupola on top in which
hangs the bell presented by the
Ladies of Troy. The building, grounds,
school & room furniture, & repairs
to make the Octagon ready for a
Boarding House will cost not less
than $10,500. If the Ladies succeed
in $4000 which they proposed, and
the payment of the room subscription,
the whole enterprise will be free
from debt. The cost of fitting up
each of the 10 rooms (5 outside
the main building) is put about $100
each exclusive without including bedding
as my former estimate of $80 I fear

engaged as a missionary teacher among the Freedmen at Mobile, Miss Irwin, connected with our school here, was formerly associated with her at Mobile, & is very anxious to have her engaged in the Utah work. If you decide to send another teacher to Am. Fork, I think she would be a very desirable person for that place - more desirable than to take charge of our school herself & I do not think she does not [illegible]

Send Isaac Jon. Mr Henry Bird. & La Laos have been teaching the last two years at Pleasant Grove, 3 miles from

1880. Rev. R. G. McNiece

Rev R. G. McNiece -

wrote Maj. Henderson 7.30/80

Salt Lake City, July 23 - 80

Dear Mrs. Haines:

Arrached home on Saturday Evening last. Having been detained nearly two weeks in Chicago, collecting & loading the two car loads of goods. I find the new School building under roof. & the carpenters will soon be ready for the plasterers. The "Octagon" is being fast put in order for a boarding-house, & by the first of September, when the School opens, everything will be completed. This is certainly very quick

work, and of course could not have been done but for the brought efficient help given by the Woman's Exec. Committee. Now I hope you will stand by us until it is all paid for, as I am sure you will

I think I talked with you about another teacher at American Fork, where Miss Kingsbury is, so that we can make that a Free school. The Mormon school is taught by two men who are both polygamists And in order to break down the school the Mormon officials have levied a local tax to

as to make their school other-
wise free. Now you see what
the difficulty is: The patrons
of our school cannot afford
to pay this tax and tuition
besides. Whereas if our school
were free, we could fill the
building. But to do this, we
need another teacher ✱
so as to grade the school.
And in this connection, I want
to speak with you about a Miss
M. J. Stevenson, a member of
the Presbyterian church in
Bellefontaine, Ohio - near at
Clifton Springs, N. Y. For sev-
eral years back she has been

Mr. Peck, I am requested to go
to Washington Seminary. This is a
town of about 1200, on the Railroad,
38 miles south of this city. We
have a very comfortable building
there, & there is a chance for
a school of 30 scholars. Now,
will you please select from your
list of applicants, a lady
teacher for that place, and I
think the qualification of being
able to lead the children in sing-
ing is one that should be in-
sisted on. The salary ought
to be $400. Perhaps you could
communicate with Miss Stran-
don at Clifton Springs, that is.

of your Committee decide to send another teacher to Ans. Ford.

While in Chicago, I made arrangements with the North-western R. R. to give all the teachers coming to Utah ½ fare between Chicago & Omaha. All that is necessary is to let me know when any teacher is coming, & my application & ½ fare permit will be forwarded.

Of course I shall take great pleasure in giving you any help or information about any of these matters

Cordially yours

Robt. T. Kerr

Rev. Robt. G. McNiece Rev R. G. McNiece -
Salt Lake City Utah

1879 Salt Lake City. Utah, Dec. 4- 79

Mrs. F. E. L. Haines.

My Dear Madam:

I was very glad to receive your of the 18th ult. & am sorry I have been unable to answer it ere immediately

In reference to Teachers' Salaries, I is my opinion that $500 is the lowest salary that any lady should be asked to teach for in Utah. But in this city & Ogden the salary needs to be larger than at other points since the expense of living is far greater. For example. The accommodations for which the ladies pay $4 a week in most of the county places, cannot be had in this city for less than $9.50

and $8.00 in Ogden. The common
price for board at the table
in this city is $7.00 a week

I owe one the $300 which the
Board has been allowing the teachers
does not begin to pay their board
in this city and Ogden. I would
say that $600 in Ogden & $700 in
this city would be just about equal
to $500 at the other points. But
I think $500 should be the minimum
salary, since the hard living expenses
are about $250 - I mean simply for
board, room, light, fuel & washing

It has been the aim to secure
for all the teachers in Utah $200
in addition to what the Board pays -
thus making the salary of each $500
Sometimes the School has been able
to pay this addition. Sometimes the
larger part of it has come out of

$375. in proportion to the ability of the several schools.

Yes, I am very strongly in favor of pushing ahead the Educational work. It is second only to the Church work, indeed the school is to the Church here in Utah what the saw-mill is to the mill. The school is the feeder of the church. For the simple reason that there is no free-school system here. And our schools are so far superior to the miserable Mormon schools, that the more intelligent Mormons are bound to send their children to our schools. And this is likely to be the case for years to come. I have paid close attention to the

the the Secretary's pocket, and sometimes, alas! the suffering Teacher has not much it

You are moving just in the right direction, for there needs to be more uniformity. Every teacher should be guaranteed a salary of $500 at least, & her traveling Expenses to the field. Then donations can be collected from the School Board to be expended, and there can no reason to fear that the amounts collected for the Board, from the Schools, would be any less than is now collected for the Teachers. Why should it be?

But the present arrangement is a very uneven one. For some teachers get $800. some $400 and teachers only

there is no grander field in the world for woman's work than Utah. We have a noble band of lady teachers here, & I am rejoiced that the Christian women of America are doing so much toward the right solution of the Mormon problem. The longer I stay here the greater is my abhorrence of the Mormon system. I hate it from top to bottom, & yet have any amount of sympathy & good will for the victims of the Mormon fiendish policy. They are mainly honest & sincere people. Their leaders I look upon as the grandest set of hypocrites & rascals on top of the earth.

An adobe is much larger than an ordinary brick - for it says eleven pounds. It is dark gray in color. I'll try to send you a piece & find the first of next week. I bought today you a adobe and but found the express would cost $2.60, which was more than I cared to pay. It takes about 20,000 adobes for a Chapel like Mr Lemond's at Springville, and 10 cents each would about cover the cost of the bricks

Educational problem here, in its relation to the Evangelization of Utah, Ever since I came here, I had not only interested myself in the wisdom of the educational work, but I am thoroughly interested that it would be suicidal to abandon it. The fact is, we are just about as thoroughly on heathen soil as if we were in India or China. For I doubt very much whether any of the false religions of the East are more deeply debasing than Mormonism, and the only hope of securing a Christian communication here is with the Christian training of the young in the Day & Sabbath schools, and if we had no Day schools, there would be little need or hope of Sabbath Schools

For the Mormons in six days could train down much faster than we could build up in the Church.

But I am not in favor of sending lady teachers off by themselves. The School work & the Church work should be carried on together. I think it is hardly right to send a lady to go off into one of these Mormon towns by herself. It may do where her school is within easy reach of a minister. But my idea is that there should be preaching regularly in every town where there is a school. Then, what is accomplished in the school has a chance to bring forth fruit in the church. And I think it is better to strengthen the schools already started than to send lady teachers into new towns

where there is no mission. For our church cannot afford to educate these people only a few for as there Education becomes a stepping stone to their Christianization. Although in some centres, for this very reason, I believe it need to go much beyond the lower common school grades, for the sake of training up a class of teachers.

I am unable, just at present, to recommend any new places. But our Presbytery, at its last meeting, appointed Brother McMillan a committee to visit the southern part of the Territory & select two more places which we could recommend the Board to occupy. He is making that trip now. I do think, however, that

I do wish, Mrs. Haines, you could get somebody interested in Logan & have Mr Parks & Loboring. It is in Cache (pronounced cash) valley — the most beautiful valley in Utah, which is saying much, — and is a hundred miles north from here. Mr Parks and his wife and daughter are laboring there — he in the church work, & the latter two in the school work. Splendid people — formerly from New Jersey — more recently from Washington, D. C. The field is very important. Logan is a town of 4000 inhabitants — & there are 25,000 people within a radius of 10 miles

What Mr Parks needs

ca a lot ora chapel. He's living
oholday school ochurch in an
old Farmers warehouse o
joint shop. How sorry I was
to see such noble people thrown
away much often Effect for
the want of a suitable building.
And at Abermaw dear Stanley that
he's there only temporarily because!
the church owns no property there

Can you get dear Edward Christian Philanthropist interested in Aber Parish
still the other necessarious has comfort-
able buildings now. Aber Parish
needs Money for a lot ochapel
A lot will cost £120,- and a
chapel ofsittings combined (there is room
a head in town that can be rented) £250
more. If he could only buy a lot it
would show the Abermaw that he's there
to stay. If you will Enquire this matter

Stanley - help Rev. Parish to buy a lot o building
Parish Work. Effect 30 to 40 Services
weekly. Future Usefulness of Church

Rev. Edward Parish

we are again crowded for room. And we must either have more room or turn away scholars. The latter we cannot afford to do. Sister the Bishop the school the Bishop the church. We have been planning & devising in order to avoid the difficulty. And who else Edgar you Easter he will present to you the plans we have finally agreed upon

You can see we are very much too small without enlargement last year. For the Episcopal church have bought property and are getting ready to open a Girls boarding department in the fall The Methodists have also bought property and are getting ready to open a similar school. But we have the lead, we must

Robt. G. McElhiney
Salt Lake City.

Salt Lake City. Feb. 27th 1887
for Comtee

Dear Bros. Haines:

Yours of the 24 to Alt. was duly rec'd, and I prepared answer forwarded to Executive Committee the articles you suggested in reference to our work.

Now let me answer your inquiries:

1. In reference to the enlargement at Ogden. I have no doubt but all that better facilities for the school are greatly needed. To have the school in the same room is a serious hindrance to the work. It was

very poor economy to buy so small a lot. & put up so small a building. But Mr Gallagher had the greatest difficulty in getting money even for the small lot & the small building. It strikes me that the difficulty might perhaps be overcome by putting up a sliding partition as at Springville & Logan, so as to have two rooms or one. I wanted Mr Gallagher to put in such a partition when he was building. But he did not have the means, the "L" put on the east side of the present building would be another way out of the difficulty But that would be more Expensive. I take Mr McMillan will look them

next week on his way home from Montana & reveals with Elder Kimball about the matter. Whether they need at Ogden to give efficiency to their work I think they ought to have. For Ogden as a town of our Zion is becoming more important every day

2. In reference to the Logan Temple Cyrus spoke to you about. I think he has given it up for the present. You remember I think that at Sunday School Logan thought do good good.

The Lord is blessing our work here in Salt Lake City in a wonderful way. Notwithstanding the enlargement of last summer

the lease him to pay the rent of
his church & school building, & pay
the expenses of running the school
& church until they amount to
nearly £800. There's something unfair
somewhere. Can't the Mormon
Committee help him to pay that
balance?

Utah is being developed in a
wonderful way. by new railroad en-
terprises. A large force is now at
work grading a new road 150 miles
south of here through rich
coal fields to Denver. This is a part
of the Denver & Rio Grande — and
of course of the Union Pacific. When
that is built the U. P. monopoly
here will be broken. Things are
also moving forward politically. Gov.
Murray's action in withholding the
certificate from the polygamous
Council or Legislature they

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not lose it. Our Boarding Department has been filled sufficiently to show that it is a great success, financially & every other way. But this is on too small a scale altogether. Day and Evening classes in the Primary accepted. All this has been done without the least effort to let the public know that we have such a school, and now that the enterprise is successful beyond our highest expectations, we do not feel like burning applicants away to the other schools.

The Rev. Dr. Wadsworth of Pekin N. Y. stopped here from Saturday until Monday on his way East from San Francisco, but was perfectly astonished at

the work that is being done here,
& said there would be no difficulty
in getting all the names as
recorded as soon as people learn
what is being done. I know it
looks as though Salt Lake City
was receiving a great deal of
attention. But this is the Capital
of the Territory, & the Headquarters
of the Mormon hierarchy, - a city
which contains nearly one sixth
of the population of Utah. And
if the work keeps enlarging on
our hands I don't see that it
can be helped.

I am very anxious to see
Mr Parker helped out of his
difficulty at Logan. There is
still behind nearly $800. for the

day there is an acct. of the parsonage he built. Very true. But the parsonage was an absolute necessity since there was not a house in town that could be rented, other Parker says if he had the $780 that he has paid from his own pocket for the rent of a church school room since he has been in Logan he could liquidate the debt. This does seem to me a repetition of the hardships imposed upon the Israelites in Egypt. namely, they required "to make bricks without straw." It does seem to me that just for the good Presbyterian church to send a man into a difficult field like Utah on a little salary of $1000. and

Our Prophet, priest & president
— Church, the Spirit Communion
receiving of the gospel Etc.

that has ever taken place here
politically, the N. Y. Tribune
& the entire national Democracy
Gov. Abernethy has sent him to
the President-elect Garfield,
& such a telegram here day before
yesterday & this effect: "Tell
my friends in Salt Lake
City President Garfield says
Utah shall be made free
during his administration."
That is, free from polygamy
Of course that will be a great
victory. altho polygamy is only
one branch of the freedoms that
obey the Lord centuries before
you & your associates in all
your efforts to establish the Gospel
here & elsewhere.

Yr cordially yours
Robt. Gilbert Kaen

Rev R. G. McNees

Salt Lake City, April 28 - 81

Dear Mrs. Haines:

I had a very pleasant little visit with Miss Peck, her brother & his wife, two weeks ago tomorrow. They are greatly entertained in offering them.

In the last note you wrote me, you asked me to suggest any places which I thought it would be nice to have Prof. Cozad's visit. Well, I hope you will arrange to let him go to East Orange & Morristown - the former particularly. And it seems to me that somebody ought to visit Cincinnati. I am ask

aware that Cincinnati is doing anything for Utah. Nor is Chicago as much interested as it ought to be.

I do hope, Elder Kacirek, that you will make your plans so that you can visit Utah in September, and bring with you Elder Green, or some one else whom you may select to make the trip with you. I wrote an account of our meeting of Presidency for "Deseret Messenger" But I don't see how I can get time to write anything more. During Prof. Cowan's absence, for the school work I am now doing occupies 2½ hours each day. I expect great things from your Buffalo meeting.

Yours in the fellowship of the Gospel

Robt. Gilbert Wears